

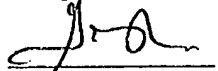
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**PATENT**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Blonk et al.  
Serial No.: 09/889,977  
Filed: January 4, 2002  
For: Quick Cooking Rice and Process to Make  
Group: 1761  
Examiner: Drew Becker  
Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 07632

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In connection with the RCE filed today, please consider the following remarks.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.